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ALL FOR MCKINLEY

And Only Friendly Rivalry Between the Candidates.

FOURTH DISTRICT REPUBLICAN

Convention To-day at Huntington to Elect Delegates to St. Louis—Strong Feeling for Instructions, but the Result May be Simply Resolutions Declaring Preference for the Ohio Man—Opposition to that would Mean Iron-Clad Instructions.

Special Dispatch to the Intelligencer.

HUNTINGTON, W. Va., April 21.—Every county in the Fourth congressional district will be represented in tomorrow's convention. Every man in the convention will be a McKinley man. All who can get McKinley buttons will wear them. The demand to-night is far ahead of the supply. Part of Wood, Wirt, Pleasants, Jackson, Roane, Putnam, Lincoln and Wayne delegations came by afternoon and evening trains. There is lively hustling for favorites. The candidates are Rathbone, of Wirt, ex-Congressman Smith, McHenry and Gibbons, of Wood, McLean, of Putnam and Sikes, of Cabell. The understanding in Wood is that the man who has a majority shall have the delegation. Gibbons is not pressing his case. Rathbone and Sikes are mixing tonight. The others will begin their mixing tomorrow morning. Sentiment has not developed sufficiently to justify a good guess as to the successful ones, every one is a McKinley man, so that there will be no issue but only friendly rivalry to get there.

There is a strong demand for an instructed delegation, largely growing out of the fact that the Third district delegates have been published as anti-McKinley. There is opposition to instructions because it has not been the habit here to instruct. The probability is that the convention will declare its preference for McKinley and request the delegates to help him along, opposition to this would certainly result in copperhead instructions. Congressman Warren Miller is receiving a warm welcome home. He will preside over the convention.

WATTS' A CANDIDATE

The Kanawha statesman in the field for the Democratic nomination for Governor on a Free Silver Platform—Some Interesting Developments.

Special Dispatch to the Intelligencer.

WASHINGTON, April 21.—General C. C. Watts, who, upon reaching Washington this morning, was "in the hands of his friends," will leave the city a full fledged candidate for the Democratic gubernatorial nomination. General Watts has been toying with the question for several months and his present mission here and those recently preceding it, it is understood, have been to consult with the syndicate. The result of the conferences have evidently been satisfactory to himself, for he did not dispute the fact this evening that he had made up his mind to lead the procession.

There is a story in the air that has a silver tip to it. There have been a number of statements from the Kanawha valley and other points in town at intervals lately and they are known to have been in conference with Senator Blackburn, the blue cross champion of the yellow metal. This fact is regarded as more than usual significance as indicating the probable policy of the Democratic party in the state, and emphasizes the suspicion that when it comes to a choice of a national standard bearer West Virginia in the Chicago convention will be allied with 16 to 1 advocates.

Spreading of silver-bued politics necessitates mention of the fact that Judge Lucas, of Jefferson, is in the city paving the way to his return to the political arena. This suggests the further thought that if Candidate Watts has not already done so he may be expected to declare for the silver idea before he leaves the city, or soon after he leaves the state.

It is stated tonight that a private conference is to be held to-morrow when a further policy may be agreed upon. Others say that the meeting is wholly in the interest of the great peace congress to be held in the city and that international, not inter-state questions will be discussed. Governor MacCorkle was announced to be here, but information comes that he has gone to Michigan.

Among the West Virginians in the city is Dr. D. Mayer, the well known Republican leader of Kanawha county. He will leave to-morrow for Martinsburg and from there will go to Clarkburg to attend the G. A. R. encampment.

Attorney Forrest Brown, of Charleston, is also in the city. He comes, he claims, to take charge of the West Virginia colony and each individual is required to report personally to him at 9 o'clock each morning for a week.

Congressman Huling returned this morning from Charleston.

Mr. W. T. W. Barbe, of Clarkburg, general agent of the state university, is registered at the National hotel, as is also Mr. R. W. Morrow, of Charleston. Representative Danford has introduced a bill for the relief of James Starkey, which was referred to the committee on military affairs.

WAYNE COUNTY REPUBLICANS

Held a Rousing Mass Convention and Instructed for McKinley and Atkinson.

Special Dispatch to the Intelligencer.

WAYNE, W. Va., April 21.—The largest mass convention ever held by the Republican party of Wayne county took place at the court house last Saturday. Voters were present from every section of the county. The enthusiasm of "the boys" was unbounded. They were a unit for McKinley, and instructions for him were unanimously adopted. The convention also heartily endorsed the candidacy of T. T. McDougal for state treasurer. The following preamble and resolution was unanimously adopted:

Whereas, In the person of Hon. G. W. Atkinson, of Ohio county, we see a man equipped in every respect to make a good governor; a standard bearer who will lead our party to victory, and a governor who will lead our state to prosperity; therefore, be it Resolved, That our delegates to the state convention, at Parkersburg, on July 21, be and are hereby instructed to cast their votes for him, and use all honorable means to secure his nomination for candidate on the Republican ticket for governor of the state.

SCOTT JACKSON'S TRIAL

A Jury Secured and the Testimony Began at Newport.

NEWPORT, Ky., April 21.—The trial of Scott Jackson for the murder of Pearl Bryan began before Judge Helm to-day. The court room was jammed in every quarter, but the utmost decorum was observed and the proceedings went on without any sort of interruption. The jury was completed this afternoon, after but three peremptory challenges were made. The hearing of testimony will now proceed.

GOLD STANDARD

Democrats in Texas Hot After Free Silverites.

TO REORGANIZE THE DEMOCRACY

Of the Lone Star State, and will Fight Tillmanism and Albigdom to the Bitter End—A Divided Delegation May Turn Up at Chicago—Alabama Free Silverites in the Saddle—Regular Democracy Decried in New Orleans.

DALLAS, Texas, April 21.—Five hundred representative gold standard men from almost every county in Texas met here to-day in convention and by a vote of 10 to 1, resolved to reorganize the Democratic party in Texas and make the fight in the state and in every congressional district and county in the state.

Delegates will be elected to a state convention to meet at Austin on June 23 and if they are not seated by the free silver or Dindley wing, a contesting delegation will be sent to the national convention at Chicago. The reorganization of the party will be begun at once and will be pushed as rapidly as circumstances will permit. The convention was called to order this morning by Rufus Hardy, of Corsicana, chairman of the state gold standard executive committee. After the usual preliminaries, Judge L. C. Alexander, of Waco, was made permanent chairman.

Resolutions were adopted denouncing the free silver committee for usurpation and trickery in trying to carry Texas into the ranks of the Tillman and Albigdom and by arbitrary methods to prevent a fair expression of the will of the people in the primaries. It is also declared that the time has come when the advocates of the gold standard must stand up and be counted, and as the other side has carried the issue into state politics, the gauge must be accepted. Every man pledged himself to carry out the spirit of the resolutions which were adopted by a practically unanimous vote. Every mention of Cleveland's name in the convention was wildly cheered.

ALABAMA DEMOCRATS

The Free Silver Faction Has Full Control of the Convention.

MONTGOMERY, Ala., April 21.—The Democratic state convention was called to order this afternoon. The temporary chairman, Captain James Cook, of Jacksonville, made an eloquent address to the convention, recommending the adoption of a free silver plank and exhorting the minority to the convention to bend to the will of the majority.

After the appointment of committees, on which the free silver men had safe majorities, the convention adjourned until 8 o'clock. Congressman Bankhead, the permanent chairman, assumed the chair at the evening session and delivered the address of the occasion, advising Democrats that they must stand together and that their only chance to win was under the 16 to 1 banner.

Resolutions were introduced as follows: That the Democracy of Alabama favors the free and unlimited coinage of silver at a ratio of 16 to 1 without regard to international agreement.

Second, to endorse the national and state administrations in abstract without reference to their financial policy.

Third, to endorse Cleveland and Carlisle's financial policy specifically.

Fourth, to require the delegates from Alabama to the national convention to vote as a unit in Chicago.

Fifth, to refer the financial plank to the national convention.

Sixth, to endorse the patriotism and policies of Senator Morgan and Senator Pugh, of Alabama.

All the resolutions referred by resolution to the committee on platform and resolutions.

The convention then adjourned until tomorrow morning.

The committee is a partisan free coinage one, and it has been ascertained the platform will contain the first resolution mentioned verbatim, and favorable reports will be made on the fourth and sixth resolutions offered. The second, third and fifth will be reported adversely. The first business to-morrow will be the adoption of a platform, which will be followed by the nomination of Joseph E. Johnston, of Jefferson county, as governor. The free silver men are bosses of the situation.

LITTLE ENTHUSIASM

Manifested by the Rhode Island Democrats—Russell Endorsed.

PROVIDENCE, R. I., April 21.—The Democratic convention to choose delegates for the national convention at Chicago, July 7, assembled in Music Hall to-day. The Hon. Richard B. Comstock presided.

There was but little enthusiasm manifested and when the roll call was called there were more than 100 delegates absent, and many towns were unrepresented.

Mr. Comstock, in his opening remarks, said a high compliment to William E. Russell, alluding to length to his ability as an executive. His reference to Mr. Russell were received with great applause, especially when he asserted Mr. Russell would, as presidential candidate, again lead his party to victory.

Mayor George W. Green, of Woonsocket, chairman of the committee on resolutions, presented the following platform, which was adopted:

"The Democratic party of Rhode Island especially commend the administration of Grover Cleveland, for his firmness and ability in maintaining, unaided by the Congress of the United States, the credit of the nation. It is vital to the interests of our people that there should be no departure from the gold standard to which all money, whether gold, silver or paper, should conform, and we are opposed to the free coinage of silver until at least four of the great powers of the western world shall come to an international agreement establishing the ratio at which gold and silver shall be admitted to minting."

"We affirm our belief in the maintenance of the Monroe doctrine, especially as interpreted by our President. We do not believe in reciprocity, as it is impracticable and unnecessary and tends to create hostile relations between the United States and the countries that under the Wilson tariff bill our commerce is rapidly increasing, as evidenced by the treasury reports on exports of agricultural implements, cotton manufactures, India rubber goods, machinery, iron, steel, leather and oils."

"As nobly representing the delegates to the Chicago convention, one who will make an ideal President, William E. Russell, of Massachusetts."

All for Pattison.

PITTSBURGH, Pa., April 21.—The Democrats held their county convention to-night by districts for the election of delegates to the state convention. Every district in the county in-

structed its delegates for ex-Governor Robert E. Pattison for President; two districts in Allegheny, however, voted against the unit rule in the national convention.

The result of the conventions probably means that George E. Stening and Edward J. Frankheim will go to the Chicago convention, with Charles A. Fagan, delegate at large and Nathaniel P. Sawyer, congressman at large.

MARYLAND REPUBLICANS

The Delegates will be Divided Between McKinley and Reed.

BALTIMORE, Md., April 21.—The Republican leaders of the state are gathering in Baltimore to-day for the purpose of arranging the various combinations which will be worked out in the state convention, which begins at the Lyceum theatre in this city at noon to-morrow. Senator-elect George L. Wellington will call it to order as chairman of the state Republican committee, and will have much to do with its future action, as most of the delegates thus far chosen are following his leadership.

There is no doubt that he will head the Maryland delegation to St. Louis as a delegate at large, and that his associates, to be named to-morrow, will be James A. Cary, William T. Malster and Robert P. Graham. The platform, which is still under consideration, probably will be built up on the lines laid down in that recently adopted in Maine, and the present programme is to secure the delegation to St. Louis instructed. Its first vote will be cast for Governor Lowndes, after which it will be divided between McKinley and Reed, as the adherents of both candidates are sure of places in the delegation.

THE BALLINGTON BOOTH

Charge Booth-Tucker with Unfairness and Stand by Their Guns.

NEW YORK, April 21.—Ballington Booth said to-day that the statement and correspondence issued by Commander Booth-Tucker merely furnished further proof of the accuracy of the allegations they have previously made. They further say that "it is manifestly unfair on the part of the leaders of the Salvation army to have given the general's private letter to the public, and to have given Ballington's in reply, which is a most complete answer to the general's letter and contains most detrimental and damaging information regarding the Salvation army."

It is added by the Ballington Booths that they stand by every word contained in their statement of April 1, and they conclude by saying that most of the extracts from the correspondence made public to-day were written three years and eight months ago, long before the difficulty arose.

A TERRIBLE TRAGEDY.

An Alabama Sheriff Shoots Two Brothers in a Crowded Depot.

MONTGOMERY, Ala., April 21.—Five hundred Democrats here to-day to attend the Democratic state convention were horrified by a tragedy at the depot. The platform was crowded at 7:30 o'clock this morning, when Bob Kennedy, sheriff of Dallas county, Ala., stepped out with a double-barreled shotgun and opened fire upon two brothers, Percy and Mardis Wood, both citizens of Selma. When the brothers saw Kennedy they ran for places of safety, but before this could be reached Kennedy shot Percy Wood through the back, inflicting a fatal wound.

Mardis Wood drew his pistol and fired at Kennedy five times, but he was hit. Kennedy reloaded his gun twice, firing in all six shots at Mardis Wood, shattering his right shoulder and breaking his left arm.

The trouble grew out of relations said to exist between Mardis Wood and the wife of Kennedy, all the parties being residents of Selma, Ala.

IN THE HOUSE.

The Cobb-Goodwin Election Case is Decided—Trial Vote Pending.

WASHINGTON, April 21.—The House to-day unsanctioned James E. Cobb, (Dem.), representing the Fifth Alabama district, and voted 121 to 45 to seat Albert T. Goodwin, (Populist), but the point of no quorum being made, the house adjourned. The first business to-morrow will be the adoption of a platform, which will be followed by the nomination of Joseph E. Johnston, of Jefferson county, as governor. The free silver men are bosses of the situation.

Mr. Cobb had 508 majority on the face of the returns, but the majority found extensive frauds in the district which reduced Mr. Cobb's vote and gave the contestant 2,360 majority. The minority claimed that no opportunity was given to submit evidence in rebuttal and that fraud was presumed, not proved. Mr. Cobb has been a member of the Fifty-first, Fifty-second and Fifty-third Congresses.

First business. An effort was made to fix Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday of next week for debate on the bankruptcy bill, but it was unsuccessful. Mr. Pickler's general pension bill will be brought up to-morrow and the debate will probably run until Friday.

CANNON'S GREAT SCHEME.

He Speaks to the Senate in Support of It.

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 21.—In the senate to-day a bill was passed granting the abandoned Fort Mary military reservation, New Mexico, to the American Invalid Aid Society for the purpose of establishing a sanitarium for the treatment of pulmonary diseases.

Mr. Pugh (Dem., Ala.) presented the minority report of the Pacific railroad bill. Mr. Cannon (Rep., Utah) was then recognized for a speech supporting his resolution for a high ground map covering 625 acres, located near Washington, showing the entire topography and geography of the United States.

Fraud Orders Issued.

WASHINGTON, April 21.—Several concerns stamped as operating fraudulent enterprises fell under the ban of the postoffice department to-day. Postmaster General Wilson issued a lottery and fraud order against the Monon Seed Company, of Chicago, Ill., a lottery order against the American Coupon Investment Company and its officers and agents at Pueblo, Colo., and a fraud order against the following, operating under various aliases as one establishment in New York city: The Home Weekly Publishing Co., the Fireside and Home Weekly, the Home Weekly, the Home Weekly Department, Franklin Turner Publishing Company, Franklin Turner, the American Fireside and Fireside Weekly.

Will Investigate.

WASHINGTON, April 21.—The house committee on military affairs to-day decided to report a resolution authorizing the speaker to appoint a committee of five members to investigate the charges of mismanagement of soldiers' home at Leavenworth, Kansas, made by Representative Blue, of that state.

The vote stood 7 to 3 in favor of an investigation. Representative McCallan, of New York, will make a minority report opposing the resolution.

LAID TO REST.

Ex-Governor Boreman Laid to Rest—Last Honors to West Virginia's War Governor.

Special Dispatch to the Intelligencer.

PARKERSBURG, W. Va., April 21.—The funeral of ex-Governor Arthur I. Boreman was one of the largest ever witnessed in this city. Brief services were held at the house before the services at the Methodist church, at 3:30 o'clock. The services were very brief, but impressive. They were conducted by Rev. W. S. Winans, Jr., Dr. S. E. Scay Moore and Dr. Rumer, consisted of prayer, Scripture reading and one hymn.

The funeral procession to the Odd Fellows' cemetery was very lengthy. At the grave Parkersburg Lodge No. 7, I. O. O. F., of which the deceased was a member from 1847, conducted a short service. Then all that was mortal of West Virginia's war governor was laid to rest in a flower-lined grave.

During the hours between 3 and 5 o'clock schools, manufacturing and all public schools were closed down. The Wood county bar and attorneys from Pleasants and Wirt counties attended the funeral. The floral offerings were numerous and magnificent.

At 1:30 o'clock this afternoon the Wood county bar held a meeting in the court house, which was presided over by Judge George Loomis. Lengthy and eloquent resolutions were adopted, and addresses on the deceased were delivered by Judge J. M. Jackson, Dave D. Johnson, J. O. Piggett, J. W. Vandervoort and V. B. Archer. The speeches were impromptu and dealt with personal recollections of the distinguished man.

MR. HUTCHINSON DYING.

The Eminent Attorney Cannot Live Long—Awaiting the End Bravely.

Special Dispatch to the Intelligencer.

PARKERSBURG, W. Va., April 21.—All plans to take Hon. John A. Hutchinson to Cincinnati to be operated upon have been abandoned. Dr. Connor, of that city, an eminent surgeon, came here last night, and after making an examination pronounced that nothing could be done, and that Mr. Hutchinson could not live longer than five more days at the most. The distinguished lawyer's mind is as clear and as brilliant as ever, and he is waiting the inevitable with iron nerve and unsurpassed bravery. He is making all preparations for the approaching end, while the people of Parkersburg are plunged into deepest sorrow.

Mr. Hutchinson's suffering is intense, and his case is a rare, but sad one. He is counsel for the Baltimore & Ohio and is considered one of the finest lawyers in the country. He carries \$30,000 on his life. The people here expect the end at most any time.

Down in Mingo County.

Special Dispatch to the Intelligencer.

HINTON, W. Va., April 21.—It is reported that capitalists are flocking in thick and fast in the Marrowbone oil region, in Mingo county. Land that was considered worthless one month ago is now urgently sought after. Just what has been found no one outside those interested knows, as the managers of the wells already drilled are reticent to such an extent that employees are forbidden to divulge anything as to what has been found. It is safe to say, however, that they have "struck oil," and the quality is good, but the quantity is not definitely known. On account of the fact that the location is an out of the way place it is difficult to get machinery on the ground, but arrangements are already made to have a half dozen drills at work within the next thirty days.

Destructive Cloud Burst.

Special Dispatch to the Intelligencer.

CHARLESTON, W. Va., April 21.—A cloud burst this afternoon did considerable damage on the south side. The culvert near the Chesapeake & Ohio depot, choked with drift and debris, and two horses, and two mules before they could be taken from the stable. The water ran over the railroad track. Many fences and some small outbuildings were swept away.

A Fatal Mistake.

Special Dispatch to the Intelligencer.

CHARLESTON, W. Va., April 21.—W. F. Workman and Layman Williams, prominent citizens of Raleigh county, returning from court here, drank carbolic acid, mistaking it for whisky and died. Both were Union veterans and leave families.

A New Paper.

Special Dispatch to the Intelligencer.

HUNTINGTON, W. Va., April 21.—Sheriff Keadle, of Mingo county, and Assistant Clerk D. E. Hughes will start a Republican paper, but will support McKinley for President, Atkinson for governor, Senator J. A. Hughes, for Congress in the Third district.

Miami Conference.

Special Dispatch to the Intelligencer.

HUNTINGTON, W. Va., April 21.—The forty-first annual meeting of the Miami congressional conference is now in session here. Rev. George Oadby, of Ceredo, has been elected moderator for the ensuing year and Rev. C. G. Fairchild, of Cincinnati, assistant.

The Charleston Term.

Special Dispatch to the Intelligencer.

CHARLESTON, W. Va., April 21.—The ensuing term of the United States court at Charleston will not begin until the fourth day of May, instead of on the first, as heretofore.

Charged with Robbery.

Yesterday Chief of Police Bennett received a telegram from James Burns, of Farmington, asking him to arrest a man named William Koen, stating that he suspected Koen of robbing his guests. In the afternoon Lieut. Dan Ingram found his man in market square and brought him to headquarters. Over \$50 was found on him, \$30 of the sum being in gold. Burns arrived in the city last night but could not be positive that the money was that stolen from his guests. Koen will be held until to-day when other parties are expected to arrive from Farmington who may identify him as the robber.

Accidental Drowning.

The jury of inquest over the body of George W. Workman, of Andy, West Va., found floating in the river Monday morning, returned a verdict yesterday of accidental drowning. The supposed blood stains on the knife and watch found on Workman turned out to be nothing more than rust. The body was interred last evening in the Penitentiary cemetery, Coroner Schellhaas having received no word from the man's relatives.

GREAT ALARM

In Bulawayo Caused by Captain Napier's Retreat.

THE ENGLISH FEAR THE BOERS

And Believe that they are Backing the Matabele—The Situation in South Africa Grows Darker Each Day, and England May Have a Hard Time to Retain Her Supremacy—Over 300 Persons Killed by the Matabele.

CAPE TOWN, April 21.—Captain Napier, with a force of about 200 men, left Bulawayo yesterday morning, according to a dispatch received here from that place, on a reconnoitering expedition. The Matabele, it was then believed, had moved southward away from the positions they had occupied, intending to intercept the relief corps advancing from Mafeking. But the scouting party was surprised to find the Matabele in great force about five miles northeast of Bulawayo. Napier's command was fired upon, returned the enemy's fire and then retreated in good order, it being useless for such a small body of troops to engage several thousand Matabele warriors apparently well supplied with firearms.

The return of Napier's party, under the circumstances, cast quite a gloom over Bulawayo, as it was believed that the extensive works of defense, laagers, forts, dynamite mines, etc., around Bulawayo had convinced the Matabele that the place was impregnable, and that, in consequence, they had shifted camp southward. It now appears that while it is true that several thousand Matabele have struck camp there are enough of them remaining in the vicinity of Bulawayo to cause the utmost uneasiness. It is true that the English wagons, loaded with provisions, have succeeded in entering the town, but there are many mouths to feed there and the relief corps is still a long way off and moving slowly on account of the scarcity of water and the ravages of the rinderpest among the cattle. It is feared a month more may elapse before the Mafeking relief corps can reach Bulawayo, and a great deal may happen in that time.

The officials of the British Chartered Company are doing everything possible under the circumstances: they are paying large bonuses to transport riders and volunteers and are hurrying forward supplies as fast as possible, but here again the deadly rinderpest is interfering with the work of relief.

The situation grows darker every day, in spite of the very effective means taken to defend Bulawayo. Fully 300 persons have been killed by the Matabele since the uprising began, and men of experience in South African warfare claim to see in the tactics of the natives the guiding hand of the leaders of the Transvaal burghers. They insist that the Boers are arming for a struggle with the British for the mastery in South Africa, and that they are actively encouraged and assisted by Germany.

The Boers have mustered about 1,500 men and several guns, according to report, at a convenient distance from Mafeking, and it is believed that they are more than willing to make common cause with the Matabele and the Mafeking army, and that they are actively encouraged and assisted by Germany.

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